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The Yale Shingle, 1896. William J. Tilson, Editor and Publisher. 112 pp.; cloth; price, \$1.00.

The Shingle for this year presents an unusually attractive appearance. The half-tone cuts are larger than heretofore, and the articles are of unusual interest. The various quotations inserted at the beginning of the histories is an innovation, and, on the whole, a success. The Shingle is to be complimented on the exceptionally fine cut of the Faculty which appears on page 52, and upon the taste displayed in the design of the cover.

Manual of Elementary Law. By William P. Fishback, Dean of the Indiana Law School, Indianapolis and Kansas City. The Bowen-Merrill Company, 1896. Pages xxvii., 467.

This book is an excellent work for all beginners in the study of law and for those who desire to acquire a knowledge of the fundamental principles of American law. Its simplicity of language and interesting style cannot fail to appeal to all such. Although there are numerous works on this same subject, yet, for clearness and brevity, it stands second to none. The broad and well-settled principles of the various branches of the law have been carefully stated and explained by the author and ample authority is given for the statements. No attempt is made to go beyond fundamental principles, hence the book would be of little use to the advanced student or practitioner, but for a beginner, it should prove an excellent work.